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SAY, ARCH---
DON'T YOU HAVE ANY NEW ALBUMS ???
YOU COULD USE A NEW NEEDLE, TOO!
HITS OF THE 60s
AWK!
SCRONTCH!
GREEEETCH!


IF THIS ALBUM GETS A PLAY---
I CAN GIVE ARCHIE THE NEEDLE !!!
Family Album


WELL---
LOOK WHAT I FOUND !!!
PUT THAT BACK, REG!
NO WAY, ARCH !!!
HAR! HAR!
ARCHIE'S MATERNITY NURSE (BEFORE HER BREAKDOWN!)
ARCHIE'S FIRST BATH!
ARCHIE'S FIRST DRAWING!
COOKIES
ARCHIE LEARNS TO PLAY HIDE AND GO SEEK!
ARCHIE'S FIRST DAY IN SCHOOL!
ARCHIE'S FIRST DATE!
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Cyclone
Archie's Family Album
OKAY !!!
YOU'VE HAD YOUR LAUGHS !!!
LET'S GO GET A PIZZA !!!
WAIT, ARCH !
3


HERE'S A PHOTO OF ME!!!
YOU'VE GOT LOTS OF PICTURES OF ME !!!
WHIF!
4


DON'T THESE PHOTOS HURT YOUR PRIDE, ARCH?
I DID THE BEST I COULD---
AND I LOST, REG---
I'M NOT ASHAMED OF THAT!!!
BUT WHY KEEP PICTURES OF ME---
---BEATING YOU?
BECAUSE YOU'RE MY FRIEND, REG!
YOU REALLY KNOW HOW TO HURT A GUY, DON'T YOU???
SLAM!
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Veronica
I'LL NEVER FORGET THIS DAY! ARCHIE HAD ROMANCE IN HIS EYES!!!
I'VE GOT A CANOE FOR OUR DATE!!!
AND MUSIC!!!
PILLOWS FOR YOUR COMFORT!!!
A BLANKET IF YOU GET CHILLY!!!
MOSQUITO NETTING!!!
SODA AND SNACKS!!!
COLA
A BEACH UMBRELLA FOR THE SUN!!!
6



OKAY, ARCHIE !!! AND I'VE GOT A FEW THINGS, TOO!
A LIFE JACKET--
FOR WHEN WE TIP OVER !!!
AN INFLATABLE DINGHY TO GET BACK TO SHORE!
AND JUST IN CASE YOU TRY TO STEAL A KISS!
I THOUGHT WE'D BE LIKE ROMEO AND JULIET---
BUT WE'RE MORE LIKE LEWIS AND CLARK !!!
7


ARCHIE, WHAT ARE YOU DOING
I'M PADDLING !!!
WELL, WHY DON'T YOU USE THE PADDLE ???
I FORGOT IT!
SPLAT!
SPLAT!
SPLAT!
GROAN
WE'VE GOT EVERYTHING BUT THE KITCHEN SINK IN THIS CANOE---
BUT NO PADDLE !!!
BUT, RONNIE---
WHEN I'M WITH YOU---
I CAN'T THINK STRAIGHT !!!
WELL, YOU'D BETTER START THINKING !!!
WE'RE DRIFTING AWAY FROM SHORE !!!
8


DON'T WORRY !!! I'LL USE THIS UMBRELLA FOR A SAIL !!!
AND WHAT WILL YOU USE FOR A WIND ???
THAT'S EASY !!!
JUST DISCONNECT THE CO_2 CYLINDER FROM THE INFLATABLE DINGHY---
AND AIM IT AT THE UMBRELLA !!!
YOU'VE GONE BANANAS !!!
GO AHEAD !!!
IT'LL BLOW US BACK TO SHORE !!!
FOOOSHT!


IS ARCHIE TRYING TO CROSS THE LAKE WITHOUT A BOAT ?
NO !
WITHOUT BRAINS !!!

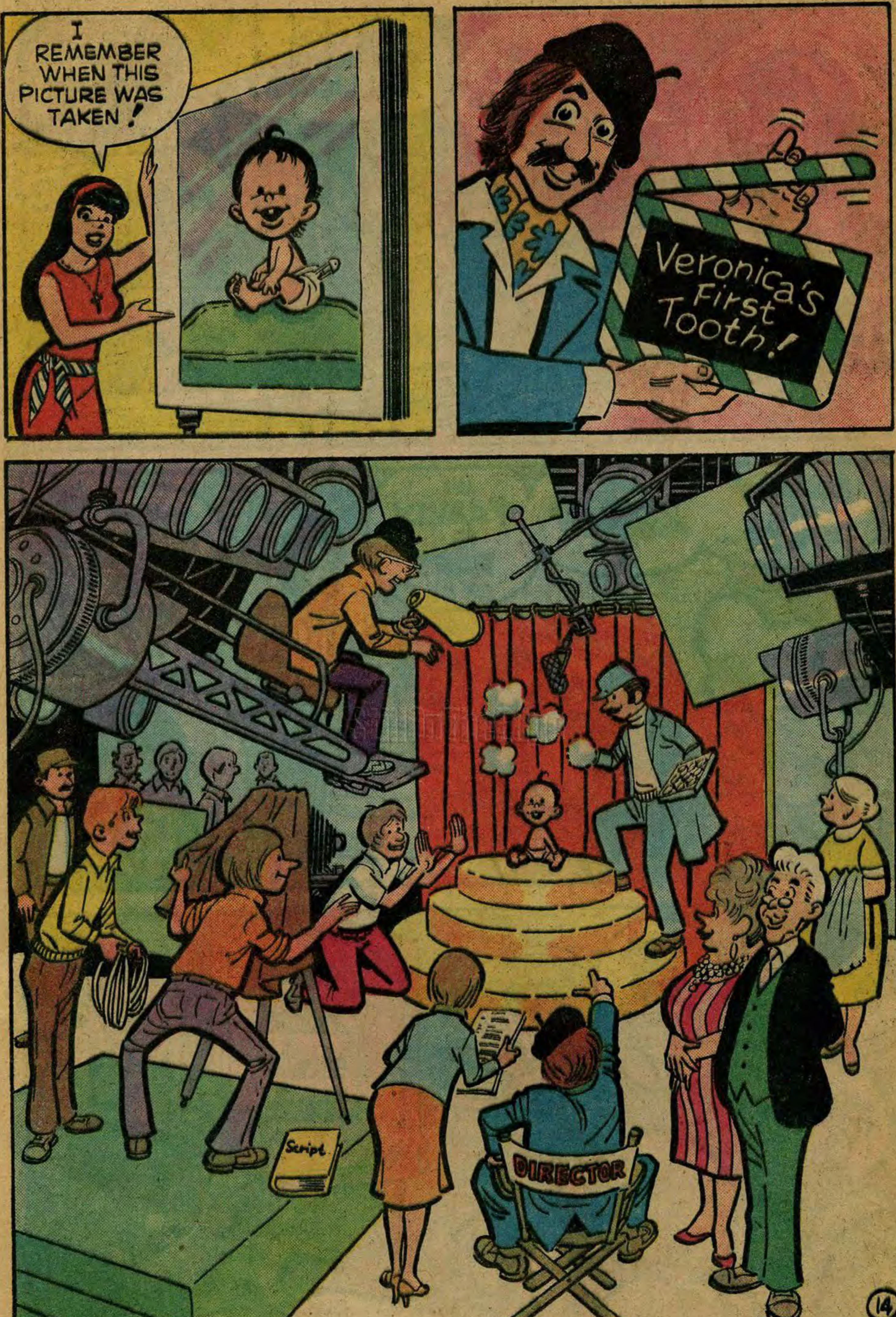

WE'RE MISSING THE BEST PART OF ARCHIE'S FAMILY ALBUM !
SURE, ARCHIE GOOFED UP A LOT !
WE ALL HAVE !
BUT WHEN I LOOK AT THIS ALBUM, I DON'T SEE CRITICISM OR REJECTION---
I SEE LOVE !!!
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AND THAT'S WHAT FAMILIES ARE FOR---
TO LOVE EACH OTHER ENOUGH TO FORGIVE !!!
AW, C'MON !!!
LOOK AT FAMILIES ON TV !!!
YOU NEVER SEE REAL LOVE!
BAM!
CRASH!
VIEWING RECOMMENDED FOR REPROBATES AND DEGENERATES ONLY!



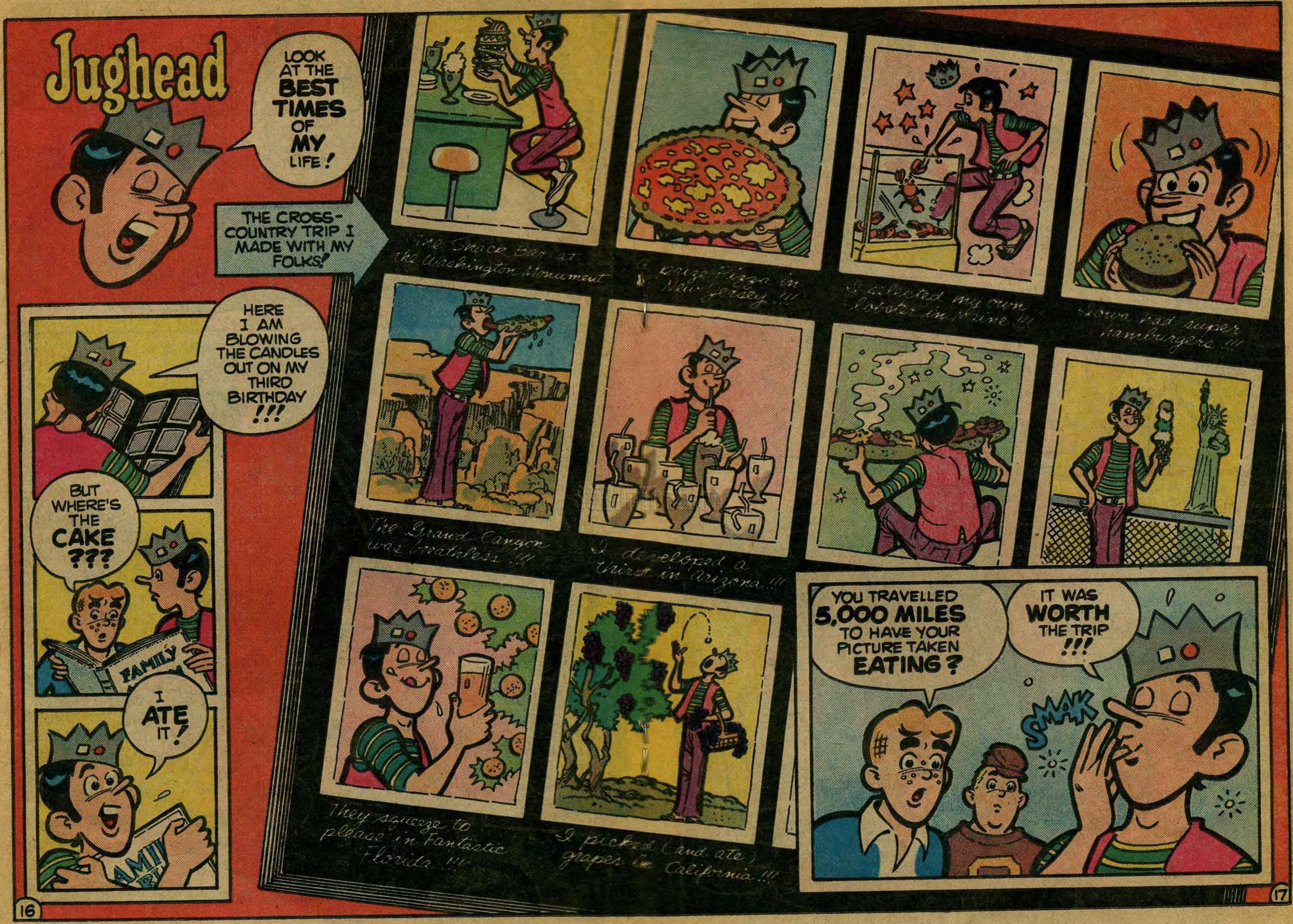
DIVORCE
AND LOOK AT THE NEWSPAPER !!!
CHILD ABUSE!
Mr. Phil Landerer and his wife, the former Lucy Morals were divorced today in
RUNAWAYS!
OPEN ROAD
WIFE-BEATERS
FAMILY FEUD
BUT THAT'S NOT A **REAL** FAMILY PICTURE!
FAMILIES ARE MEANT TO KEEP THINGS **TOGETHER**---
NOT TO **TEAR THEM APART!**
I DON'T USUALLY AGREE WITH BETTY--- BUT SHE'S **RIGHT!**
IF THERE'S **LOVE** IN A FAMILY---
ANY **PROBLEM** CAN BE SOLVED !!!


I LEARNED AS A CHILD THAT MY FOLKS LOVED ME!
MR. LODGE, YOU'RE WORTH MILLIONS!
WHAT'S THE MOST VALUABLE THING YOU HAVE?
MY FAMILY!!!
MONEY AND POWER---
---ARE THINGS I'VE ACQUIRED!!!
MY FAMILY IS PART OF ME!
CLIK!
MAYBE MY FOLKS LOVED ME TOO MUCH!!!
LOOK AT MY FAMILY ALBUM!!!
the Lodge Family Album
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I REMEMBER WHEN THIS PICTURE WAS TAKEN!
Veronica's First Tooth!
Script
DIRECTOR



I ASKED DADDY FOR A SAILBOAT FOR THE BATHTUB...
THIS IS WHAT I GOT!
IT MUST BE FUN TO BE SPOILED!!!
IT IS--- AT FIRST!!!
BUT IT SEEMS THE MORE YOU GET---
THE MORE YOU WANT!!!
AND THINGS NEVER REALLY SATISFY!!!
10:25
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Jughead
LOOK AT THE BEST TIMES OF MY LIFE!
THE CROSS-COUNTRY TRIP I MADE WITH MY FOLKS!
The Snack Bar at the Washington Monument
A prize Pizza in New Jersey !!!
I selected my own lobster in Maine !!!
Iowa had super hamburgers !!!
The Grand Canyon was breathless !!!
I developed a thirst in Arizona !!!
They squeeze to please in Fantastic Florida !!!
I picked (and ate) grapes in California !!!
HERE I AM BLOWING THE CANDLES OUT ON MY THIRD BIRTHDAY !!!
BUT WHERE'S THE CAKE ???
FAMILY
I ATE IT!
YOU TRAVELLED 5,000 MILES TO HAVE YOUR PICTURE TAKEN EATING?
IT WAS WORTH THE TRIP !!!
SMAK
16
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IS THIS A FAMILY ALBUM?
OR A COOK-BOOK ???
I'M GLAD MY FOLKS TAUGHT ME TO EAT!
FAMILY ALBUM
WE ALWAYS HAVE FUN AROUND THE TABLE !!!
LET'S FACE IT... A FAMILY SPENDS MORE TIME TOGETHER AROUND THE TABLE THAN ANY PLACE ELSE!
WE OUGHT TO ENJOY IT!
AND THANK GOD FOR IT!
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MY DAD TAUGHT ME TO LIFT WEIGHTS···
AND BUILD MY MUSCLES !!!
Tom Sawyer
Treasure Island
LIBRARY
MY FOLKS TAUGHT ME TO DEVELOP MY MIND!
Mother Goose
Encyclopedia


BIG Ethel
MY FOLKS DON'T HAVE MANY PICTURES OF ME!
I NEVER WANTED MY PICTURE TAKEN!
I DIDN'T LIKE THE WAY I LOOKED!!!
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BUT I LEARNED THAT GOD DOESN'T LOOK ON THE OUTSIDE AS WE DO!
Archie's CLEAN SLATE!
HE LOOKS ON THE INSIDE !!!
SEE ARCHIE'S CLEAN SLATE, PAGES 8&9
SO I CAN LIVE WITH THE WAY I LOOK !!!
---BUT I DON'T KNOW ABOUT MY FOLKS !!!
ETHEL !!!
HOW CAN YOU SAY THAT ???
WELL---
IF YOU LOVE SOMEONE---
--YOU OUGHT TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT THEM!
21



MY FOLKS NEVER ASK WHERE I'M GOING... OR WHO I'M WITH!
CHARLIE'S HERE TO TAKE ME OUT!
UMMHH
85
THEY DON'T CARE WHAT I'M DOING, OR WHAT TIME I COME HOME!
I'M HOME!
GRUMPH
SOMETIMES I FEEL AS THOUGH I DON'T REALLY BELONG TO THEM!
THEY'RE THE PARENTS GOD GAVE YOU, BIG ETHEL !!!
HE WANTS YOU TO LOVE THEM AND OBEY THEM!
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GOD WANTS YOU TO DO YOUR PART IN THE FAMILY---
--- EVEN IF YOUR FOLKS AREN'T DOING THEIRS!
WHEN YOUR PARENTS SEE GOD'S LOVE AND GRACE IN YOU ---
SMAK!
CLIK!
THE HOLY SPIRIT WILL MAKE THEM THE KIND OF PARENTS GOD WANTS THEM TO BE!
A LOT OF KIDS RUN AWAY FROM PROBLEMS IN THE HOME !!!
GOD'S SOLUTION IS MUCH BETTER !!!
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FAMILIES ARE LIKE THIS FIRE--- ONE LOG CAN'T BURN BY ITSELF!
BUT THINGS COME ALIVE---
-- WHEN YOU PUT THE LOGS TOGETHER !!!
GOD CAN BRING FAMILIES TOGETHER, TOO---
---IF WE'LL LET HIM!
AND HE ALWAYS STARTS WITH US!
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Archie
Y'KNOW--- FAMILY ALBUMS ARE FANTASTIC!
THE CHARACTERS ARE REAL!
THE SITUATIONS ARE SLICES OF LIFE!
90's
AND WHEN YOU LOOK AT OUR ROOTS---
---YOU SEE HOW WE'VE GROWN!!!


LOOK!!!
A FULL-COURSE DINNER FOR FIFTY CENTS!!!
I'LL TREAT EVERYBODY!!!
GASP! I'VE ONLY GOT TWO CENTS!!!
PRICES WERE LOWER IN THE OLD DAYS---
---BUT SO WERE WAGES AND ALLOWANCES!!!
TRANSPORTATION WAS DIFFERENT!!!
SCRONTCH!
SQUEEK!
THINGS HAVEN'T CHANGED THAT MUCH WITH YOU, ARCH!
KLOP
KLOP
Menu


DATING WAS A LOT DIFFERENT!
WHAT ARE YOUR INTENTIONS TOWARD MY DAUGHTER, YOUNG MAN?
WELL...
...I WAS HOPING TO HUG A LITTLE...
...AND STEAL A FEW KISSES!!!
WHAT?
THAT'S OUTRAGEOUS!!!
YOU'RE NOT EVEN ENGAGED!!!
--HOW CAN YOU THINK OF KISSING???
IT'S EASY, SIR...
I THINK ABOUT IT ALL THE TIME!
PLOP!
LOOK AT THE BEACH SCENE IN THE OLD DAYS!!!


THE WATER'S SO CLEAN !!!
AND THE AIR IS SO PURE !!!


FOLKS TAKE PRIDE IN THEIR NEIGHBOR-HOOD!
NO ONE CALLS A COP A PIG !!!
AND WOMEN ARE TREATED AS MORE THAN EQUALS !!!
HOT DOGS


THE STREETS ARE NOT ONLY CLEAN--- THEY'RE SAFE AT NIGHT!
PEOPLE SEEM HAPPIER!
THEY ENJOY WHAT THEY'RE DOING!
FIREWORKS TONI
FAMILIES SEEM A LOT CLOSER!
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FAMILIES DON'T GATHER AROUND A TV SET!
THEY GATHER AROUND THE BIBLE !!!
IF CHILDREN AND PARENTS TODAY---
---LIVED THE WAY THE BIBLE SAYS---
EVERY HOME---
--- WOULD BE HAPPY !!!
THIS IS STILL THE BEST FAMILY ALBUM!
THE BIBLE ???
SURE !!!
WE CAN ALL BE MEMBERS OF GOD'S FAMILY!
HE'S OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN !!!
* THE BIBLE TELLS US HOW WE'RE RELATED TO GOD!
* SEE JOHN 1:12


I WONDER IF GOD HAS A *FAMILY ALBUM* ???
THE BIBLE SAYS HE DOES !!!
THE BIBLE TALKS A LOT ABOUT THE **LAMB'S BOOK OF LIFE!**
JESUS IS THE **LAMB** OF GOD!
AND HIS **BOOK OF LIFE** LISTS EVERYONE WHO ACCEPTS HIM AS LORD AND SAVIOUR * !!!
* SEE REVELATION 21:27

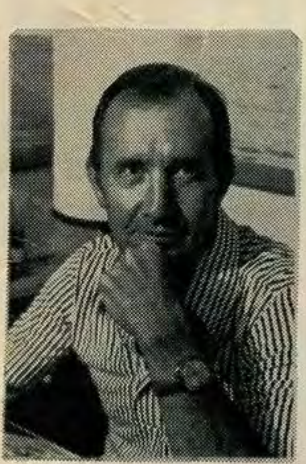

SOME DAY WE'LL MEET GOD FACE-TO-FACE !!!
AND HE REALLY WON'T CARE WHICH CHURCH WE ATTEND!
OUR DENOMINATION WON'T MATTER THEN!
THE IMPORTANT THING WILL BE---
ARE WE INCLUDED IN HIS FAMILY ALBUM !!!
IF YOU WANT TO BE IN GOD'S FAMILY ALBUM, ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS ASK!
SEE MATTHEW 7:7

FROM AL HARTLEY...



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AND HIS GRANDSON!



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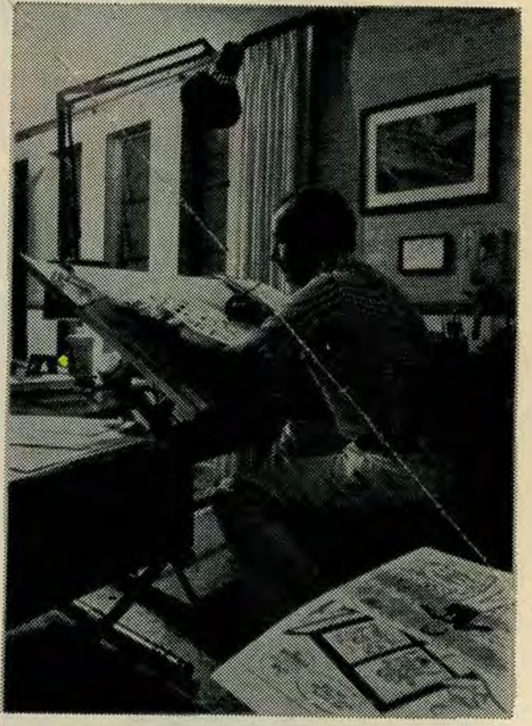


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AL HARTLEY AT WORK!

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